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**Via Electronic Mail**

**EX PARTE PRESENTATION**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re:** Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc.,  
WC Docket Nos. 09-133 and 10-90; Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 15 2016, on behalf of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands ("DHHL"), the undersigned met with Matthew DelNero, Garnet Hanly, Lynne Engledow, Gilbert Smith, Ji Balaguer, Deena Shelter of the Wireline Competition Bureau and Jim Bird of the Office of General Counsel to discuss matters relating to our client, the Hawaiian Home Lands, in the above-captioned proceedings involving Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc. ("SICI"). Jobie Masagatani, Chairman, Hawaiian Homes Commission, William Aila, Deputy to the Chairman, Hawaiian Homes Commission, Peter "Kahana" Albinio, Acting DHHL Land Management Administrator and Shelly Carreira, DHHL Land Agent, Diane Taira, Supervising Deputy Attorney General, Craig Iha, Deputy Attorney General participated by conference call.

At the meeting, DHHL noted that it has responsibility of overseeing telecommunications services in the Hawaiian Home Lands. As such, DHHL has a significant interest in FCC proceedings addressing USF payments and NECA tariff issues relating to SICI. DHHL advised that its primary concern in these proceedings is that native Hawaiians currently served by SICI continue to receive quality telecommunications services. DHHL further noted that it is available to assist the FCC in telecommunications matters under FCC jurisdiction that relate to the Hawaiian Home Lands.

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Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, please include this ex parte filing in the above referenced dockets. Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Jack Richards  
Counsel for Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

cc: Matthew DelNero